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Our Case No. 9281-3995
(Client Ref. No. N US00077)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Naoya Hasegawa et al.)
Serial No.: 09/900,992) Examiner Christopher R. Magee
Filing Date: July 9, 2001) Group Art Unit No. 2653
For: EXCHANGE COUPLING FILM AND)
MAGNETORESISTIVE ELEMENT)
USING THE SAME)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.



Applicant is:



a small entity, verified statement is:



attached



already filed



other than small entity



The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:



Attached is a check for the § 1.17(e) fee.



Charge the § 1.17(e) fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.
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☒ A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission(s) is(are) filed herewith:

- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
- ☐ Other: _____

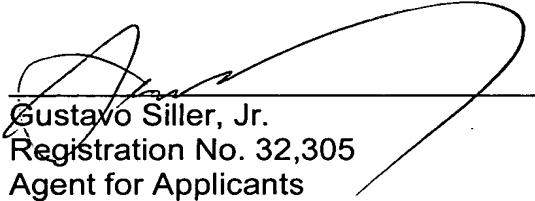
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Respectfully submitted,

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